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FOR: WEAR RESISTANT MEMBER COMPRISED OF SILICON NITRIDE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

The following is a statement of the substance of the telephone interview conducted between the undersigned Applicants' representative and the Examiner on January 9, 2009 concerning the above-identified application.

The Examiner requested deleting withdrawn claims 7-10. The Examiner's amendments have been authorized by the undersigned Applicants' representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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